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MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller

SUBJECT

Comptroller's Meeting of 27 February 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary

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 The Budget Committees in both houses of the Congress have recommended that agencies of the Government be required to absorb part of the pay raise: The House recommends absorption of 50 percent, and the Senate recommends absorption of 10 percent. We have assumed a compromise will be reached and that we may be expected to absorb as much as 25 percent of the pay raise and have included that figure in the
3. The following recommendations were approved.

- b. The Deputy Directors be requested to identify projects or activities which can be deferred or cancelled sufficient to permit them to absorb 25 percent of the total cost of the pay raise, and that projects or activities so identified be presented to the Comptroller by 15 March for review at the next Comptroller's Meeting. Any additional savings identified in subsequent months will be considered for offsetting against this list at future Comptroller Meetings.
- c. The Deputy Directors be instructed <u>not</u> to fund any of the identified "Other Requirements" until further notice and to reprogram funds for other purposes only to meet absolutely essential needs, keeping in mind the overall Agency requirement.

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d. Funds currently estimated as savings and any other savings that may be identified as savings be frozen to be applied against remaining and as yet unidentified "Hard Requirements."

4. To satisfy the second recommendation, you are requested to identify projects or activities which can be deferred or cancelled, totaling at least

5. We will continue to review the financial situation of the Agency monthly and inform you of changes as they occur.

JOHN D. IAMS Comptroller

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